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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action issued September 19, 2001, Applicant submits the following Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly replace Claim 15 as follows

15. (Amended) A compound according to Claim 12, having at least one of the following groups:

- R₁ represents the radical -COR₆;
- Ar represents a radical of formula (a) or (d);
- X represents the radical: